# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD REGION 4

CJ MAINTENANCE, INC.

**Employer** 

and Case 04-RC-213086

LEAGUE OF INTERNATIONAL FEDERATED EMPLOYEES (LIFE UNION), LOCAL 890

Petitioner

# REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S DECISION AND DIRECTION OF ELECTION

In this case, the only issues raised by any party concerned the date, times, and location of the election, and in accordance with Board precedent I have resolved those issues administratively and directed an election accordingly. The Employer, CJ Maintenance, Inc., provides industrial cleaning services to customers throughout the Eastern United States, including at Philadelphia International Airport Terminal F (Philadelphia Airport). The Petitioner, League of International Federated Employees (LIFE Union), Local 890, filed a petition with the National Labor Relations Board under Section 9(c) of the National Labor Relations Act seeking to represent a unit of the Employer's cleaners and project workers who work at the Philadelphia Airport. A hearing was held before a Hearing Officer of the National Labor Relations Board, herein called the Board. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3(b) of the Act, the Board has delegated its authority in this proceeding to the undersigned. Based upon the entire record in this matter and for the reasons set forth below, I conclude and find as follows:

- 1. The Hearing Officer's rulings made at the hearing are free from prejudicial error and are hereby affirmed.
- 2. The Employer is engaged in commerce within the meaning of the Act, and it will effectuate the purposes of the Act to assert jurisdiction in this case.
- 3. The Petitioner is a labor organization that claims to represent certain employees of the Employer.
- 4. A question affecting commerce exists concerning the representation of certain employees of the Employer within the meaning of Section 9(c)(1) and Section 2(6) and (7) of the Act.

5. The parties stipulated, and I find, that the following employees constitute a unit appropriate for the purposes of collective bargaining within the meaning of Section 9(b) of the Act:

All full-time and regular part-time cleaners and project workers employed by the Employer at Philadelphia International Airport Terminal F located at 8000 Essington Avenue in Philadelphia, PA, **excluding** office clericals, guards, managers and supervisors as defined in the Act.

#### **DIRECTION OF ELECTION**

The National Labor Relations Board will conduct a secret ballot election among the employees in the unit found appropriate above. Employees will vote whether or not they wish to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining by **League of International Federated Employees (LIFE Union), Local 890**.

# A. Election Details<sup>1</sup>

The election will be held on Thursday, February 15, 2018 from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM and 9:00 PM - 10:00 PM in Suite 640 at 1 International Plaza, which is located adjacent to the Philadelphia International Airport, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

# B. <u>Voting Eligibility</u>

Eligible to vote are all unit employees employed during the payroll period ending **February 4, 2018**, including employees who did not work during that period because they were ill, on vacation, or were temporarily laid off.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The sole issues presented at the hearing regarded the date, times and location of the election. The Employer objected to holding the election on certain dates based on its representatives' scheduling conflicts. The Petitioner stated that it was willing to proceed with the election on any date found appropriate. With respect to times, the Employer noted that it operates three shifts at the Philadelphia Airport: 6:00 AM - 2:00 PM, 1:30 PM - 9:30 PM and 10:00 PM - 6:00 AM. To accommodate all three shifts, the Employer proposed two election shifts of 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM and 9:00 PM – 10:00 PM, and the Petitioner agreed with the later shift but proposed a longer earlier shift of 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM. Finally, both parties agreed that an off-site building called 1 International Plaza, located adjacent to the Philadelphia Airport, would be a suitable election location if no on-site space is available. Election arrangements, including the date, times and location of the election, are not matters within the scope of a pre-election hearing. Pursuant to its longstanding practice, the Board has left such determinations to the discretion of the Regional Director. 2 Sisters Food Group, Inc., 357 NLRB 1816, 1819 (2011); Halliburton Services, 265 NLRB 1154, 1155-1156 (1982); Manchester Knitted Fashions, Inc., 108 NLRB 1366, 1367-1368 (1954). See also NLRB Casehandling Manual (Part Two), Representation Proceedings Sections 11228, 11301.4. Accordingly, I shall determine the election date, times and location administratively.

Employees engaged in an economic strike, who have retained their status as strikers and who have not been permanently replaced, are also eligible to vote. In addition, in an economic strike that commenced less than 12 months before the election date, employees engaged in such strike who have retained their status as strikers but who have been permanently replaced, as well as their replacements, are eligible to vote. Unit employees in the military services of the United States may vote if they appear in person at the polls.

Ineligible to vote are (1) employees who have quit or been discharged for cause since the designated payroll period; (2) striking employees who have been discharged for cause since the strike began and who have not been rehired or reinstated before the election date; and (3) employees who are engaged in an economic strike that began more than 12 months before the election date and who have been permanently replaced.

# B. Voter List

As required by Section 102.67(l) of the Board's Rules and Regulations, the Employer must provide the Regional Director and parties named in this decision a list of the full names, work locations, shifts, job classifications, and contact information (including home addresses, available personal email addresses, and available home and personal cell telephone numbers) of all eligible voters.

To be timely filed and served, the list must be *received* by the regional director and the parties by **Friday**, **February 9**, **2018**. The list must be accompanied by a certificate of service showing service on all parties. **The region will no longer serve the voter list.** 

Unless the Employer certifies that it does not possess the capacity to produce the list in the required form, the list must be provided in a table in a Microsoft Word file (.doc or docx) or a file that is compatible with Microsoft Word (.doc or docx). The first column of the list must begin with each employee's last name and the list must be alphabetized (overall or by department) by last name. Because the list will be used during the election, the font size of the list must be the equivalent of Times New Roman 10 or larger. That font does not need to be used but the font must be that size or larger. A sample, optional form for the list is provided on the NLRB website at <a href="https://www.nlrb.gov/what-we-do/conduct-elections/representation-case-rules-effective-april-14-2015">www.nlrb.gov/what-we-do/conduct-elections/representation-case-rules-effective-april-14-2015</a>.

When feasible, the list shall be filed electronically with the Region and served electronically on the other parties name in this decision. The list may be electronically filed with the Region by using the E-filing system on the Agency's website at <a href="www.nlrb.gov">www.nlrb.gov</a>. Once the website is accessed, click on **E-File Documents**, enter the NLRB Case Number, and follow the detailed instructions.

Failure to comply with the above requirements will be grounds for setting aside the election whenever proper and timely objections are filed. However, the Employer may not object to the failure to file or serve the list within the specified time or in the proper format if it is responsible for the failure.

No party shall use the voter list for purposes other than the representation proceeding, Board proceedings arising from it, and related matters.

### C. <u>Posting of Notices of Election</u>

Pursuant to Section 102.67(k) of the Board's Rules, the Employer must post copies of the Notice of Election accompanying this Decision in conspicuous places, including all places where notices to employees in the unit found appropriate are customarily posted. The Notice must be posted so all pages of the Notice are simultaneously visible. In addition, if the Employer customarily communicates electronically with some or all of the employees in the unit found appropriate, the Employer must also distribute the Notice of Election electronically to those employees. The Employer must post copies of the Notice at least 3 full working days prior to 12:01 a.m. of the day of the election and copies must remain posted until the end of the election. For purposes of posting, working day means an entire 24-hour period excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. However, a party shall be estopped from objecting to the nondistribution of notices if it is responsible for the nonposting, and likewise shall be estopped from objecting to the nondistribution of notices if it is responsible for the nondistribution. Failure to follow the posting requirements set forth above will be grounds for setting aside the election if proper and timely objections are filed.

#### RIGHT TO REQUEST REVIEW

Pursuant to Section 102.67 of the Board's Rules and Regulations, a request for review may be filed with the Board at any time following the issuance of this Decision until 14 days after a final disposition of the proceeding by the Regional Director. Accordingly, a party is not precluded from filing a request for review of this decision after the election on the grounds that it did not file a request for review of this Decision prior to the election. The request for review must conform to the requirements of Section 102.67 of the Board's Rules and Regulations.

A request for review may be E-Filed through the Agency's website but may not be filed by facsimile. To E-File the request for review, go to <a href="www.nlrb.gov">www.nlrb.gov</a>, select E-File Documents, enter the NLRB Case Number, and follow the detailed instructions. If not E-Filed, the request for review should be addressed to the Executive Secretary, National Labor Relations Board, 1099 14th Street NW, Washington, DC 20570-0001. A party filing a request for review must serve a copy of the request on the other parties and file a copy with the Regional Director. A certificate of service must be filed with the Board together with the request for review.

Neither the filing of a request for review nor the Board's granting a request for review will stay the election in this matter unless specifically ordered by the Board.

Dated: February 7, 2018

# /s/ Dennis P. Walsh

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